

Spelling Word List - Level A

Week 1 (Rule 1) fluff huff muff puff	Week 2 (Rule 1) yell bell Jill will doll dull	Week 3 (Rule 1) pass mess miss toss fuss	Week 4 (Rule 2) Ken kettle keg	Week 5 (Rule 2) kin kit kiss kip kid	Week 6 (Rule 2) can cat cab cap camera
Week 7 (Rule 2) cob cot cod cop	Week 8 (Rule 2) cut cup cuff cub cud	Week 9 (Rule 3) rack deck wick sock tuck	Week 10 (Rule 3) wake snake rake fake lake	Week 11 (Rule 4) claw flaw draw law jaw	Week 12 (Rule 4) haul launch taunt fault staunch
Week 13 (Rule 4) toy boy coy joy Roy	Week 14 (Rule 4) boil coin point toil joint	Week 15 (Rule 4) pay say day pray ray	Week 16 (Rule 4) saint grain aim rain braid	Week 17 (Discuss root words and suffixes.)	Week 18 (Rule 5) stir - stirring let-letting top - topping nag - nagging begin - beginning
Week 19 (Rule 5) jump - jumping help - helping spell - spelling press - pressing smack - smacking	Week 20 (Rule 6) line- lining hope - hoping smile - smiling file - filing name - naming	Week 21 (Rule 7) berry - berries lady - ladies party - parties happy - happily dirty - dirtiest	Week 22 (Rule 8) chum chin chick chest chill	Week 23 (Rule 8) bunch lunch ranch bench quench	Week 24 (Rule 8) match snatch patch pitch sketch
Week 25 (Rule 9) hands caps snacks banjos books	Week 26 (Rule 9) lunches washes kisses waxes fizzes	Week 27 (Rule 9) toys boys joys enjoys employs	Week 28 (Discuss root words and prefixes.)	Week 29 (Rule 10) cat herself little winner butter	Week 30 (Rule 10) belongs go bridle going so
Week 31 (Rule 11) niece chief retrieve believe thief	Week 32 (Rule 11) perceive ceiling deceive received receipt	Week 33 (Rule 11) neighbor weigh eight sleigh freight	Week 34 (Rule 13) girl dirt stir birth first	Week 35 (Rule 13) clerk her perch jerk stern	Week 36 (Rule 13) burn hurl church turn spur

Spelling Rules - Level A

1. **If** - a word has one vowel
 - ends with **f, l, s** **Then** double the final consonant

Example: fluff
 yell
 mess

F, L, S
 Don't make a mess!
 Double the final consonant
 For F, L, S!

2. **If** - a word begins with **k**
 - a word begins with **c** **Then** the next letter will probably be **e, i, y**
Then the next letter will probably be **a, o, u**

Example: kettle
 kite
 cat
 cot
 cut

The kitten jumped over the kettle.
 The cat looked cute in her coat.

3. **If** - a word has a short vowel before an ending "k" sound **Then** use a **ck**
 - a word has a long vowel before an ending "k" sound **Then** use a **ke**

Example: rack
 rake

4. Some letters occur in the **middle** of words; some letters occur at the **end** of words.

middle of a word	end of a word	examples
au	aw	haul, flaw
oi	oy	boil, boy
ai	ay	wait, way

5. **If** - a word has one vowel
 - and one consonant **Then** double the consonant before adding a
 suffix that begins with a vowel

Example: hop becomes hopping (one vowel, one consonant)
 jump becomes jumping (one vowel, two consonants)

6. Drop a silent **e** before adding a suffix.

Example: smile becomes smiling
hope becomes hoping

7. Change **y** to **i** before adding a suffix.

Example: funny becomes funnier
happy becomes happiest

8. **If** - it's the beginning of a word or
- after a consonant **Then use ch**

If - it's the end of a word, after a vowel **Then use tch**

Example: chat
lunch
match

9. To form a plural noun:

Most nouns...	After ch, sh, s, x, z...	Words ending in y after a vowel...	Words ending in y after a consonant...
just add s	add es	just add s	change the y to i , then add es
example: books	example: churches	example: toys	example: stories

<p>ch, sh, s, x, z Add an s behind an e Not just s, not just e es does it accurately!</p>

10. **If** - a syllable or word has this pattern:
consonant-vowel-consonant **Then** the vowel is usually short
example: cat

If - a syllable or word has this pattern:
consonant-vowel **Then** the vowel is usually long
example: go

Note: This is helpful spelling words with two or more syllables:

Example: lit-tle
bri-dle

11. **I** before **e**
Except after **c**
Or when sounded like "ay"
As in **neighbor** or **weigh**.

Examples: chief
ceiling
sleigh